

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: ASS, NU  
SUBJECT: GON REQUEST FOR DPDS EXCESS PROPERTY

REF: (A) US MILGP MSG 291650Z JUN 78; (B) MANAGUA 2437

1. IN CONNECTION WITH EMB POSITION ON MILITARY SALES TO THE NATIONAL GUARD (GN) (REF B), AMBASSADOR HAS RECENTLY CONCURRED ON A FEW USMILGP MESSAGES SEEKING LETTERS OF OFFER FOR DEFENSE DEPARTMENT DISPOSAL SERVICE ITEMS FOR GN. THESE ITEMS HAVE BEEN PRIMARILY CLOTHING AND USED VEHICLES INTENDED FOR CANNIBALIZATION FOR SPARE PARTS. AMB HAS NOT CONCURRED ON REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF OFFER ON SOME OTHER ITEMS, I.E., GAS MASK CANISTERS, AND REQUEST HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN.

2. AMB RECENTLY CONCURRED WITH A REQUEST FOR LETTER OF OFFICER FOR DPDS EXCESS PROPERTY SMALL ARMS SLINGS (REF A). BECAUSE OF PREVIOUS CONTROVERSY RELATED TO REPLACEMENT SLING SWIVELS FOR M-16'S, EMB WISHES TO BRING THIS REQUEST TO ATTENTION OF DEPT.

3. CONCURRENCE OF AMB FOR THIS REQUEST IS BASED UPON INHERENT INNOCUOUS NATURE OF SLINGS AND BELIEF THAT SUPPLY OF REPLACEMENT SLINGS FOR SMALL ARMS ALREADY IN GN INVENTORY WOULD CONSTITUTE NEITHER HIGH VISIBILITY ISSUE NOR HAVE ANY SIGNIFICANT IMPLICATIONS  
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RELATED TO GN'S MILITARY CAPABILITY.

4. IF DEPT SHOULD PERCEIVE ANY IMPEDIMENT TO SALE OF DPDS SMALL ARMS SLINGS TO GN, SHOULD THEY BE AVAILABLE, EMB WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S ADVICE.  
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## Message Attributes

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